

**Chambers of District Judge Michael R. Barrett**

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**Michael R. Barrett**

District Judge

Date of Birth: January 14, 1951  
Education: Cincinnati 1974 BA, 1977 JD  
Began Service: May 2006  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Government:** Administrative Hearing Officer, State of Ohio (1977-1978); Assistant Prosecuting Attorney/Chief Assistant, County of Hamilton, Ohio (1978-1984)

**Legal Practice:** Associate/Partner, Graydon, Head & Richey (1984-1994); Shareholder, Barrett & Weber, LPA (1995-2006)

**Chambers of Senior Judge John D. Holschuh**

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**John D. Holschuh**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1926  
Education: Miami U (OH) 1948 BA;  
Cincinnati 1951 JD  
Began Service: June 1, 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter



**Academic:** Adjunct Professor of Law, Ohio State University (1970-1977)

**Clerkships:** Clerk The Honorable Mel G. Underwood (1953-1954)

**Government:** Secretary, United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio (1952-1953)

**Legal Practice:** McNamara & McNamara; Partner, Alexander, Ebinger, Holschuh, Fisher & McAlister (1954-1980)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Judicature Society; Columbus Bar Association; Ohio State Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Joseph M. Brunner** ..... (614) 719-3313  
Began Service: 2007  
Term Expires: 2008  
Education: Michigan 2003 BA; Cincinnati 2007 JD  
Law Clerk **Zachary M. Klein** ..... (614) 719-3322  
Began Service: 2007  
Term Expires: 2008  
Education: Ohio State 2001 BA; Capital 2004 JD  
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Education: Central Michigan 1984 BS;  
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**S. Arthur Spiegel**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: October 24, 1920  
Education: Cincinnati 1942 BA; Harvard 1948 LLB  
Began Service: June 5, 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Academic:** Lecturer, University of Cincinnati College of Law (1970-1975)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Kasfir & Chafie (1948-1952); Associate, Benedict, Bartlett & Shepard (1952-1953); Partner, Gould & Spiegel (1954-1959); Partner, Cohen, Baron, Druffel & Hogan (1961); Partner, Cohen, Todd, Kite & Spiegel (1966-1980)

**Military Service:** United States Marine Corps (1942-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Cincinnati Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Ohio State Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Sally E. Chaffin** ..... (513) 564-7620  
Education: Cincinnati 2006 JD  
Law Clerk **Keith Syler** ..... (513) 564-7620  
Education: Cincinnati 2001 JD  
Secretary **Dianna Wykoff** ..... (513) 564-7620

**Chambers of Senior Judge George C. Smith**

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**George C. Smith**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1935  
Education: Ohio State 1957 BA, 1959 JD  
Began Service: 1987  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Judge in Residence, University of Cincinnati College of Law

**Government:** Clerk, Office of the Attorney General, State of Ohio (1956-1957); Clerk, Governor C. William O'Neill (OH), Office of the Governor, State of Ohio; Assistant City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, State of Ohio (1959-1962); Executive Assistant, Mayor Ralph S. Locher (D-OH), Office of the Mayor, City of Columbus, Ohio (1962-1964); Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Ohio (1964); Chief Counsel, State of Ohio (1965-1970); Prosecuting Attorney, State of Ohio (1971-1980)

**Judicial:** Judge, Franklin County Municipal Court (1980-1985); Judge, Franklin County Common Pleas Court (1985-1987)

**Current Memberships:** Columbus Bar Association; Columbus Bar Foundation, Columbus Bar Association; Federal Bar Association

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Stephanie Rawlings** ..... (617) 719-3220  
Career Law Clerk **Chelsey Vascara** ..... (614) 719-3220  
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Judicial Secretary **Glenna Annarino** ..... (614) 719-3220

**Chambers of Senior Judge Herman J. Weber**

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**Herman J. Weber**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1927  
Education: Otterbein 1949 BA; Ohio State 1951 JD  
Began Service: 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Deputy Mayor, City of Fairborn, Ohio (1956-1958)

**Judicial:** Acting Judge, Fairborn Municipal Court (1958-1961); Judge, Ohio Common Pleas Court, Greene County (1961-1982); Judge, Ohio Court of Appeals, Second District (1982-1985)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Weber & Hogue (1952-1961)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1945-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Greene County Bar Association (OH); Dwight D. Opperman Institute of Judicial Administration, New York University; Ohio State Bar Association; Ohio State Bar Foundation

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Laura R. Ahern** ..... (513) 564-7607  
Career Law Clerk **Susan R. Ferrell** ..... (513) 564-7605  
Education: Penn State 1980 BA;  
William & Mary 1983 JD  
Career Law Clerk **Amy Thomas** ..... (513) 564-7604  
Education: Cincinnati 1984 JD  
Judicial Assistant **Elizabeth Brockmeier** ..... (513) 564-7603

**Chambers of Senior Judge James L. Graham**

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**James L. Graham**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1939  
Education: Ohio State 1962 BA, 1962 JD  
Began Service: 1986  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Chairman, Board of Bar Examiners, Supreme Court of Ohio (1969-1974)

**Legal Practice:** Crabbe, Brown, Jones, Potts & Schmidt (1962-1969); Partner, Graham, Dutro & Nemeth (1969-1986)

**Current Memberships:** American College of Trial Lawyers; Columbus Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Jason Everetts** ..... (614) 719-3200  
Education: Ohio State 2000 JD  
Law Clerk **Tracie N. Ransom** ..... (614) 719-3200  
Began Service: 2007  
Education: Illinois 2004 JD  
Career Law Clerk **Karen Martin** ..... (614) 719-3200  
Education: Ohio State 1975 BA, 1978 JD  
Secretary **Wendy Swartz** ..... (614) 719-3200

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**Walter H. Rice**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937  
Education: Northwestern 1958 BA; Columbia 1962 JD, 1962 MBA  
Began Service: June 4, 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor of Business, Wright State University (1975-1976); Adjunct Professor, University of Dayton School of Law (1976-1996)

**Government:** Assistant County Prosecutor, Office of the County Prosecutor, County of Montgomery, Ohio (1964-1966); First Assistant County Prosecutor, Office of the County Prosecutor, County of Montgomery, Ohio (1969)

**Judicial:** Judge, Municipal Court (1970-1971); Judge, Ohio Court of Common Pleas (1971-1980)

**Legal Practice:** Law Clerk, Third National Bank (1962-1963); Gallon & Miller (1966-1969)

**Current Memberships:** Dayton Bar Association; Federal Bar Association

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Diane Klopsch** ..... (937) 512-1500  
Education: Dayton 1996 JD  
Career Law Clerk **Paul Lacouture** ..... (937) 512-1500  
Education: Dayton 1980 JD  
Secretary **Shirley Cobb** ..... (937) 512-1500

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**Michael R. Merz**  
Chief Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: Harvard 1967 AB, 1970 JD  
Began Service: November 21, 1984  
Term Expires: November 20, 2008  
Political Affiliation: Republican



**Affiliation:** Adjunct Professor, University of Dayton

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, University of Dayton (1980-1999)

**Judicial:** Judge, Dayton Municipal Court (1977-1984)

**Legal Practice:** Smith & Schnacke (1970-1977)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Dayton Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Ohio State Bar Association

**Staff**

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Secretary **Deanna Perry** ..... (937) 512-1550  
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